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UNITED STATES INTELLIGENCE BOARD  
HUMAN SOURCES COMMITTEE

HSC-M-032

7 February 1975

Minutes of the Thirty-Second Meeting, 5 February 1975

Members or Representatives Present

Acting Chairman	- Lt. Gen. Samuel V. Wilson	
CIA	[REDACTED]	25X1
State	- Mr. John B. Thro (M)	
DIA	[REDACTED]	25X1
Treasury	- Mr. David Laux (M)	
NSA	[REDACTED]	25X1
Army	- Mr. Alfred S. Burnett (A)	
Navy	- Capt. Donald E. Nielsen (M)	
Air Force	- Col. Milton E. Bellovin	
ERDA	- Mr. Robert E. Upchurch (M)	

Others Present

CIA	[REDACTED]	25X1
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NSA	[REDACTED]	
Air Force	- Mr. John J. Porasky (A)	
Air Force	- LTC Carl H. Wessel	
DIA	[REDACTED]	25X1
DIA	[REDACTED]	
IC Staff	[REDACTED]	
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Navy	- Mr. C. J. Oleniacz (A)	

1. The Minutes of the thirty-first meeting (HSC-M-031) were approved.

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2. The Executive Secretary circulated to Members the latest HSC monthly Status Report (HSC-C-114), and made several administrative announcements. General Wilson then called attention to his recent correspondence with Philip C. Habib, Assistant Secretary of State for East Asian and Pacific Affairs, concerning intelligence [REDACTED]. The General emphasized that such correspondence contributes to the objectives of improving human source reporting, and it supplements the Committee-sponsored FOCUS program. (Subsequently copies of the correspondence were sent to Members under HSC-C-116.)

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5. Turning to the FOCUS project, [redacted] outlined the evolution of related procedures as experience was obtained and problems were encountered. A draft FOCUS Procedures paper was circulated to Members, and some time was spent discussing the rationale behind the suggested arrangements and related responsibilities. General Wilson reminded the Members that the HSC had been tasked by the DCI to undertake what we call the FOCUS project, but more to the point, the project offered significant opportunities to improve useful interaction between analyst information users and human source collection managers. He noted that the assessment seminars are a healthy and educational device, as are the provisions for ensuring that appropriate collection managers examine the assessment reports and react to their implications. General Wilson stressed the importance of working closely with the NIOs at various stages of each FOCUS process, and he noted that the DCI letters to the Ambassadors, which are one result of the exercise, must each be tailored to the needs and the peculiarities of the particular situation. [redacted] CIA, commented that the flexibility described by the General was just what was needed to make the project viable. (On 7 February, after further consideration by the Members, a slightly revised version of the Procedures paper was circulated under HSC-C-117.)

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Executive Secretary